DIGEST

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Anders HB No. 184

Abstract: Relative to the Concordia Economic and Industrial Development District, provides relative to the membership and appointment of members of the board of commissioners. Provides relative to the terms and powers and duties of board members.

<u>Present law</u> creates and provides for the Concordia Parish Economic and Industrial District as a political subdivision of the state for the primary object and purpose of promoting and encouraging economic and industrial development and tourism opportunities, stimulating the economy through renewed commerce, industry, research, and tourism, and for the utilization and development of natural and human resources of the area by providing job opportunities. Provides for district boundaries.

Proposed law retains present law.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the district shall be governed by a board of commissioners consisting of seven members as follows:

- (1) The mayor of the town of Clayton.
- (2) The mayor of the town of Ferriday.
- (3) The mayor of the town of Ridgecrest.
- (4) The mayor of the town of Vidalia.
- (5) Three at-large members appointed by the governing authority of Concordia Parish, one of whom shall be a resident of Ward 5 from the unincorporated area of Monterey.

<u>Proposed law retains present law</u> and adds the president of the Concordia Parish Police Jury to the board membership. Requires the Concordia Parish Police Jury to appoint a member of the board in the event that the president of the police jury is unable to serve. Provides that the president or any member appointed by the police jury to serve in place of the president shall serve during the term of the president.

<u>Present law</u> requires the board to meet in regular session once each month and in special session as often as the president of the board convenes them or on the written request of four members. Provides that four members shall constitute a quorum of the board.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and additionally authorizes a board member to appoint a designee to attend any regular or special session that the board member is unable to attend. Grants full voting rights to any such designee.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 33:130.471(A) and 130.472(A), (B), (C), (H), and (I))